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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - JANUARY 28, 1974 INCIDENT NEAR PONZA

DEPARTMENT PASS FAA

REF: VALLETTA 0925

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN ASSISTING ITALIAN CIVIL AIR AUTHORITIES IN INVESTIGATING JANUARY 28, 1974 AIR INCIDENT OF HONZA ISLANDS WHICH RESULTED IN APPARENT LOSS OF US REGISTERED AIRCRAFT (PIPER PA-28 N15217) WITH ALL PASSENGERS. REFTEL STATES FOUR (4) PERSONS LOST IN INCIDENT. EMBASSY WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE NAMES OF PERSONS BELIEVED BY MALTESE SOURCES TO HAVE BEEN ABOARD.

2. FYI. WE ARE CERTAIN THAT AT LEAST THREE (3) PERSONS WERE ABOARD AIRCRAFT UPON DEPARTURE FROM ROME/CIAMPINO EVENING OF JANUARY 28. IDENTIFIED ON BASIS OF PHOTOGRAPHS SUPPLIED BY GERMAN AUTHORITIES ARE EDMUND HARTKOPF (PILOT) AND SEIGMAR HELMUT BARANSKI. ALSO BELIEVED ABOARD WAS BERND HEVEMEYER. BARANSKI WAS ENGINEER WHO APPARENTLY HAD DIRECT INTEREST IN PROPOSED CEMENT  
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PLANT. IT POSSIBLE A FOURTH PARTY, PICKED UP IN ROME, WAS ABOARD

AIRCRAFT. ANY INFO YOU CAN SUPPLY ON IDENTITY OF PERSONS ABOARD  
AIRCRAFT AND REASONS FOR VISIT TO MALTA WOULD BE GREATLY  
APPRECIATED. END FYI. VOLPE

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